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## \*\*\* STATE WIDE CLUB MEETING NIGHTS \*\*\*

- AMES- Last Wednesday, Senior Citizen Center, 7:30 PM.
- BURLINGTON- Last Tuesday, Buescher Hall, 611 Columbia St. 7:30 PM.
- CEDAR FALLS- Last Thursday, Cedar Falls Utility Bldg., 7:30 PM.
- CEDAR RAPIDS- Third Wednesday, People's Bank & Trust, 101 3rd Ave.S.W.
- CENTRAL IOWA, MARSHALLTOWN- 3rd Wed., Fisher Community Center, 7:30 PM.
- CLARION COIN CLUB- 3rd Wed., I.P.S. Community Meeting Room, 7:30 PM.
- DAVENPORT- 1st Tuesday, Davenport Public Library, 4th & Main, 7:00 PM.
- DECORAH AREA COIN CLUB- 1st Tuesday, Army Reserve Center, 7:30 PM.
- DES MOINES- 1st Tuesday, Easter Seal Center, 2920 - 30th St., 7:30 PM.
- FOREST CITY- 2nd Tuesday, Manufacturer's Bank & Trust, 8:00 PM.
- FORT DODGE- 2nd Thursday, Airport Meeting Room, 7:30 PM.
- FORT MADISON- 3rd Tuesday, Savings & Loan Drive-In, 4520 Ave. L, 7:30 PM.
- GRINNELL- 2nd Monday, Senior Citizen Room, Community Room, 7:30 PM.
- ILLOWA COIN CLUB, CLINTON- 3rd Thursday, Gateway State Bank, Clinton.
- INDEPENDENCE- 3rd Saturday, Courthouse Basement.
- IOWA CITY-OLD CAPITOL COIN CLUB- 2nd Tues., West High School, Rm 13, 7:30
- IRIS CITY, MT. PLEASANT- 1st Thursday, Courtesy Room, Henry Co. Savings  
Bank, E. Washington St., 7:30 PM.
- KEOKUK- 4th Thurs., S.E.C.C. South Campus Student Lounge, 335 Messenger Rd.
- OSKALOOSA- 2nd Tuesday, Basement of the Farm Bureau Bldg., 7:30 PM.
- OTTUMWA- 4th Tuesday, Colormaster, Inc. 800 Gateway Drive, 7:30 PM.
- PORT CITY, MUSCATINE- 4th Tuesday, Holiday Inn, Muscatine, Ia. Hwy 61 & 38,  
7:30 PM.
- RED OAK- 1st Monday, Farmers Mercantile on old HWY 34, 7:30 PM.
- SIOUXLAND- 2nd Thursday, Elks Lodge, 722 Douglas, Sioux City.
- STORMLAKE- 3rd Thursday, IPS meeting Room, Winter 7:30 Summer 8:00 PM.
- TRI-CITIES COIN CLUB, MOLINE, ILL.- 3rd Thurs., Moline Township Hall,  
620 18th St., 7:30 PM.
- WADENA- 3rd Thursday, Historical Center, West Union, 8:00 PM.
- WATERLOO- 2nd Thursday, Waterloo Arts & Recr. Center, 7:00 PM.

## SHOW CALENDAR

- Sept. 3th Northeast Iowa Stamp, Coin, & Baseball Card Bourse sponsored by Cedar Valley Stamp Club, Five Sullivan Brothers Convention Center West 4th & Commercial Streets, Waterloo, Iowa. Bourse: Doug Wetlaufer.
- Sept. 15th Grinnell Coin Club 1991 Coin, Stamp, & Sports Card Show, Veterans Memorial Building, Grinnell, Iowa. Bourse: Roger A. Wolver.
- Sept. 28-29 Fort Dodge Coin Club 1991 Coin, Stamp, & Baseball Card Show, Crossroads Mall, East on Hwy. 20, Fort Dodge, Iowa. Bourse: Harry Peters.
- Oct. 26-27 IOWA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION COIN CONVENTION & AUCTION. Palace Theater, Adventureland Park, Des Moines, Iowa. To Consign to Auction Call or write Owen C McKee (515) 684-6006. Bourse Chairman E.L. Victoria. (Check the back page for addresses).

### FROM THE SECRETARY:

Gold and silver prices this year have certainly held with in a narrow span, 20c for silver and \$6 for gold. The computer grading has been discussed with interest among collector friends, but I have not seen any that have been graded by computer myself. Coin collecting is still a growing hobby. We see new or beginning collectors each month at our coin club in Fort Dodge. I hope your club seeing new collectors, too. We need to do more to educate the new collectors than I have seen any club doing.

Have you invited your directors to your special meetings? Please do, as it would help the State Board know the good things you are doing to help all our clubs, and also maybe help find answers to any problem areas.

Former Director Leo Sears' wife donated to the I.N.A. Exhibit a medal Leo was awarded in 1966 from the I.N.A. Our thanks to her for the addition to our exhibit. Leo passed away in 1989.

We missed out on the A.N.A. 100th Anniversary Show in Chicago as I was in the hospital in Rochester on Monday of that week. We know that they had many special events planned for that show.

This is our last Iowa Collector before our State Show. Look for the schedule of activities for the I.N.A. elsewhere.

JoAnn Peters,  
Sec'y-Treas.

## WINNING THE BATTLE

Our director from District / 6 is battling cancer. Charles Moore, Lohrville, has had a good report that the tumor is shrinking from treatment. We ish you complete recovery, Chuck.

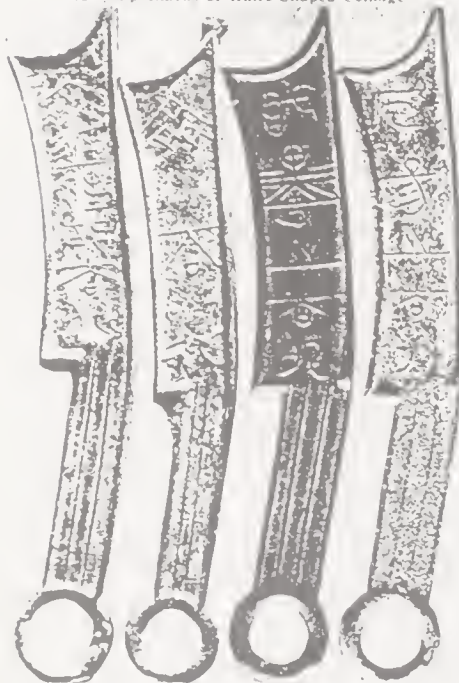
JoAnn Peters.

## WE HAVE A TRAILER!

The I.N.A. Board of Directors thanks all who donated to the trailer fund. We received within \$50 of the cost of the trailer. Tax and license cost an additional \$19. We shall now have an easy way to store and transport the cases to any I.N.A. Club in the state and our State Show. This should really reduce the glass replacement costs. The cases maybe used by any member club, the only stipulation is that they be returned in the same condition as they are picked up.

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## **OBJECT**

The object of this corporation shall be to encourage and promote the science of numismatics, to cultivate fraternal relationships among coin collectors and students, to foster the interest of youth in the subject, to encourage and assist new collectors, to stimulate and advance affiliations between our associations and kindred organizations in the United States and foreign countries; to acquire and disseminate numismatic knowledge and generally, to represent numismatic interests throughout the State of Iowa

## **JUNIOR MEMBERS**

Any person between the ages of 0 and 18 years and sponsored by a Senior member may be considered for Junior membership. Junior members may not hold office, but may vote for elective officers. Dues to be \$2.00 per year.

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Officers are elected every two years by membership vote, by mail ballot and take office at the annual convention following the election. Officers consist of Sixteen members including President, 1st and 2nd Vice Presidents, Secy-Treas., the immediate predecessor of the President and eleven Directors.

The annual membership meeting is held each year at the Association's annual convention in the fall of each year.

The Iowa Collector, the official Bulletin, is published 4 times each year and sent to each paid up member.

The association, upon request, will help the heirs of any member of good standing find a qualified person or persons, in his or her area, to appraise an estate.

For any information about the Association contact any member, director, or officers in your area.

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## Iowa half dollars worth a mint



Press-Citizen/Rodney White

*The front and back of the half dollar minted for Iowa's centennial.*

## City man set for coin sale

### The Press-Citizen

An Iowa City man will help Iowa sell 500 half dollars minted in 1946 for the state's centennial.

The man, Dean G. Oakes, has been appointed to the special coin sale committee by Gov. Terry Branstad. Oakes has been an active numismatist (coin expert) in Iowa City for 30 years.

The coins will be sold, probably in 1995, to raise money for Iowa's sesquicentennial in 1996.

To celebrate the centennial, 100,000 coins were minted, and 99,000 were sold for \$2.50 to Iowans and \$3 to out-of-state collectors. In November 1948, then-Gov. Robert D. Blue placed the remaining 1,000 coins in a safe deposit box in Des Moines.

Last week, State Treasurer Michael F. Fitzgerald and a small group of numismatists examined 500 of the coins. Oakes was invited, but was unable to attend.

The coins were in mint condition, the experts said. One said the coins could bring \$500 or more each.

The final 500 coins will be sold in 2046, at Iowa's 200th birthday.

### The coins

► They were designed by Adam Pietz, who immigrated from Germany in 1889. He worked out of his studio-home, but also was an assistant chief engraver at the U.S. Mint in 1927-1946.

► The Iowa half dollar was his only coin design. He also designed several medals for the U.S. Treasury Department.

## HONORED MEMBER

Governor, Terry Brandstad picked long time Iowa Numismatist Dean Oakes to be on a committee to sell 500 Iowa Commemorative half dollars. The funds from the sale of the coins will be used to finance Iowa's bicentennial celebration in 1996. The coins that were minted in 1946 for the Iowa Statehood Centennial are half of a 1000 pieces that were put away in 1948 to be used for this purpose. The other half will be sold for the celebration in 2046. Oakes is an Iowa numismatist having been in the coin business since 1962 in Iowa City and a member of Professional Numismatists Guild. The Governor expressed his satisfaction of having a numismatist on the committee so that collectors interest would be served. Part of Oakes' duties will be to try to collect input from collectors in the state of Iowa and Commemorative collectors in general as to what method of distribution and sales should be used. As in the first issue of half dollars in 1946 it is felt that the citizens in the state of Iowa should have first chance at buying one of these coins. Oakes would be glad to receive any suggestions on the distribution of these coins. Suggestions should be mailed to Dean Oakes at P.O. Box 1456, Iowa City, Iowa 52244.

Submitted by Dean G. Oakes

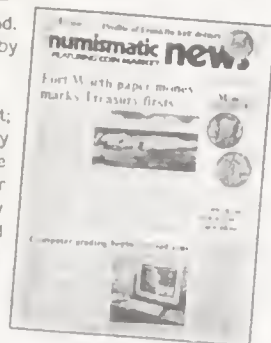
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# FROM THE DESK of the EDITOR & PRESIDENT:

I just completed our companies August Sale and I can honestly tell you the coin market is bustling. Bids poured in from all across the country and the interest in nice collectible coins has seldom been greater. I'm not talking about Mint state sixty-seven and a half coins, just good old fashion VG 8 two cent pieces and F-12 Indian cents.

I.N.A. State Show is coming up Oct. 26-27th. We intend to have several guest speakers but a schedule has not yet been drawn up by our Chairperson in charge. Gail McKee is our Chairman in charge of exhibits. She will be working with others to set up judging for the various educational exhibits. If you wish to enter an exhibit please notify her as soon as possible at 914 3rd Ave. West, Oskaloosa, Ia. 52577 or call (515) 672-2763.

Clarion Coin Club has mentioned their desire to have another Token auction but I have yet to receive a confirmation or time schedule on this event.

The State show this year will be held at the Palace Theatre, Adventureland Park, Des Moines, Iowa. Admission is free and the floor will be open 9-6 Sat. Oct. 26th and 10-4 Sun. Oct. 27th. For information on bourse tables contact E.L. Victoria (Address is on last page).

And finally, we at McKee Coins will be conducting a large coin auction Saturday night, Oct. 26th. The sale will consist of over 1,000 lots of both high grade and collectible coins and currency. The highlights of the auction will include a 12 pc. U.S. Gold Type Set and much Bust and Seated material. This sale is expected to out gross any of the I.N.A. sales conducted in the last half dozen years. Catalogs are free for the asking, contact me at the address in the back of this bulletin.

Come and spend some time with us at this year's Great Iowa Numismatic Association Convention in Des Moines, Iowa.

See you there!

Owen C. McKee

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